

TYPE SPECIMENS OF TERRESTRIAL VERTEBRATES IN THE MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY - 1973 TO 1999

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ABSTRACT

Details of type specimens deposited in the Terrestrial Vertebrates Collection of the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin, Northern Territory, Australia, are given. Material whose descriptions were published prior to 1 November 1999 is covered and includes 49 holotypes and 507 paratypes. Discrepancies between original descriptions and MAGNT catalogue entries are commented on. Tables give a summary of type material and show both new and superseded catalogue numbers.

KEYWORDS: Type specimens, terrestrial vertebrates, Amphibia, Reptilia, Mammalia, Northern Territory Museum, Northern Territory, Australia.

INTRODUCTION

With origins dating only from 1969, the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is the youngest major Australian museum. The first natural history specimen (a terrestrial vertebrate) was catalogued in September 1973 and, since that time, more than 37,000 individual terrestrial vertebrates have been accessioned. Composed of amphibian, reptile, bird and mammal material, the Terrestrial Vertebrates Collection is primarily focused on the Northern Territory (87% of specimens), but does contain significant comparative material from other Australian States and some material from other countries. At the time of writing the Collection contains 6,391 amphibians, 22,540 reptiles, 3,587 birds and 4,746 mammals. Among these are 555 type specimens (49 holotypes and 507 paratypes), which represent 67 species and 16 subspecies.

Wells and Wellington (1985) who, in a controversial publication, re-classified the Amphibia and Reptilia of Australia, designated a percentage of type material in the Terrestrial Vertebrates Collection. In this work the taxonomic status of Wells and Wellington types in the collection is addressed.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

As reflected by the Terrestrial Vertebrates Collection's composition, curatorial interests have been principally herpetological. The inaugural terrestrial vertebrates curator was Mr G.F. Gow, who accessioned the first specimens and managed the Collection till March 1985. His curatorship was followed by that of Dr M.E. King, who developed the Collection until October 1993 when he retired. Following Dr King's retirement, the author was appointed as curator.

Prior to the establishment of the MAGNT, the (now) Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory initiated a wildlife reference collection intended as the nucleus of a "future" museum collection. This collection's original specimen catalogue is titled "Northern Territory Museum specimen register" and indicates that K.R. Slater and A. Newsome were mainly responsible for curatorial activities. Accessioning of specimens into this collection began in October 1965, and included specimens which had been collected up to fourteen years earlier. As this collection was located in Alice Springs and MAGNT was becoming established in Darwin, the titles of the collection and its building were changed in 1980 to the Central Australia Wildlife

Collection (CAWC) and the "Central Australian Museum". The latter was an unfortunate title as the current Central Australian Museum is a branch of MAGNT and an entirely separate institution.

For a period prior to 1980, the CAWC was inadequately curated and managed. Located at the Arid Zone Research Institute, Alice Springs, it was housed in a non air-conditioned shed and many catalogued specimens were lost through misuse or discarded due to desiccation. As no attempt was made to distinguish types from ordinary specimens, this period resulted in the disappearance or loss of some type material.

The CAWC had several series of numbers implemented, and often poor quality, easily detached, paper tags were used as labels. The first series of specimens were accessioned with an NTM prefix and were given catalogue numbers 0001 to 6000. This series included all macrofauna types (amphibians, reptiles, fish, birds and mammals), and also often included animal products such as scats, gut contents and skeletal fragments as catalogued specimens. A second series was begun in November 1974, again with the prefix NTM but divided into the major fauna types. Catalogue numbers for this series were NTM A.0001 to A.0149 (amphibians), NTM B.0001 to B.0215 (birds), NTM F.0001 to F.0072 (fish), NTM R.0001 to R.0799 (reptiles), and NTM M.0001 to M.0272 (mammals). This series was altered in February 1981, when the NTM prefix was changed to CAM (Central Australian Museum). Accessioning of specimens into the CAWC ceased in May 1985, when the collection was transferred to the MAGNT.

At the time of transfer the CAWC was composed of about 9,700 catalogued specimens, of which 8,090 have been accessioned into the MAGNT Terrestrial Vertebrates Collection. The remaining 1,600 specimens had been either lost, discarded or were deemed of little scientific value. As the numbering system of the CAWC was inconsistent and duplicated the MAGNT herpetological numbering system, its terrestrial vertebrate content has been re-catalogued and allocated new MAGNT

registration numbers. Animal products such as scats and gut contents were not allocated new numbers but, where appropriate, were cross referenced to the relevant catalogued specimen.

LIST OF TYPE SPECIMENS

Explanatory notes. Where CAWC specimens are listed as type material, their original catalogue number is shown in parentheses after their MAGNT number. A summary of MAGNT holotypes and paratypes is given in Appendices 1 and 2. Note that the prefix NTM can relate to catalogue numbers from both the MAGNT collection and to superseded catalogue numbers from the CAWC.

Only type material from descriptions published prior to 1 November 1999 are included. Unless noted otherwise, all type localities listed are from within the Northern Territory and type specimens are spirit preserves.

Class AMPHIBIA

Order SALIENTIA

Family HYLIDAE

Cyclorana maculosus Tyler and Martin, 1976: 269

Paratype. R.30093 (NTM3178), Tennant Creek, 19°04'S 134°12'E, 30 January 1966.

Cyclorana maini Tyler and Martin, 1976: 273.

Paratypes (5). R.30034-30037 (NTM2309-2311, NTM2316), Arid Zone Research Institute, 5 km south of Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, 21 October 1964; R.30079 (NTM3177), Mount Doreen Station, 22°02'S 131°18'E, 23 January 1966.

Litoria pallida Davies, Martin and Watson, 1983: 101

Paratypes (2). R.10098-10099, Cannon Hill, 12°23'S 132°57'E, 28 November 1977.

Litoria personata Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1978: 151

Paratypes (3). R.30804-30806 (CAMA-

123-125), Cannon Hill, 12°23'S 132°57'E, 01 February 1977.

Family MYOBATRACHIDAE
Megistolotis lignarius Tyler, Martin and
 Davies, 1979: 137

Paratypes (7). R.578-579, R642, 1 km west of Oenpelli, 12°21'S 132°59'E, 21-22 May 1975; R.2143, 8 miles north of Humbert River Crossing, 16°28'S 130°30'E, 22 April 1976; R.5035, no data; R.31043 (CAMA121), Marlipur Creek, Wellington Range, 11°51'S 133°08'E, January 1977; R.31044 (CAMA122), Remusatia Gorge, Mount Brockman, 12°45'S 132°56'E, 31 October 1974.

Ranidella bilingua Martin, Tyler
 and Davies, 1980: 94

Paratypes (2). WESTERN AUSTRALIA - R.5838, 1.5 km north of Lake Argyle Tourist Village, 16°15'S 128°45'E, 19 February 1977; R.5839, Mining campsite, Mitchell Plateau, 14°50'S 125°50'E, 29 January 1978.

= *Crinia bilingua* after Heyer *et al.* (1982).

Uperoleia arenicola Tyler, Davies
 and Martin, 1981a: 26

Paratype. R.6276, Birrdu, 12°28'S 132°56'E, 30 November 1978.

Uperoleia inundata Tyler, Davies
 and Martin, 1981a: 39

Paratypes (2). R.6934-6935, Leanyer Swamp, Darwin, 12°22'S 130°55'E, 31 May 1979.

Uperoleia lithomoda Tyler, Davies
 and Martin, 1981a: 43

Paratype. R.6936, Arnhem Highway at Fogg Dam turnoff, 12°38'S 131°18'E, 31 May 1979.

Uperoleia micromeles Tyler, Davies
 and Martin, 1981a: 46

Paratype. R.31199 (CAMA140), Tanami Desert, 20°38'S 130°25'E, 18 January 1978.

Uperoleia trachyderma Tyler, Davies
 and Martin, 1981b: 149

Paratype. R.9865, George Redman Causeway, 37 km north of Elliot, 17°14'S 133°28'E, 16 December 1980.

Class REPTILIA

Order CROCODILIA

Family CROCODYLIDAE
Crocodylus perthericki Wells and Wellington,
 1985: 7

Holotype. R.24821, male, Sweet's Lookout Billabong, Finniss River, 12°54'S 130°35'E, D.A. Lindner and party, 19 July 1979. Total length 5.1 metres.

Comments. Holotype is a skin, dry mounted on an artificial body. Skeletal elements, apart from the skull, jaws, digits and osteoderms, have been removed from the skin (heart and stomach contents are held by Crocodylus Park, Darwin, N.T.). The articulated, post-cranial skeleton is mounted separately, being completed by the addition of the skull, jaws, digits and osteoderms from a similarly sized *C. porosus*. Both mounts are on public display in the Natural Sciences Gallery of the MAGNT. At the time of publication the holotype had not been allocated an NTM catalogue number. The diagnosis differentiated the taxon from *C. porosus* by unsubstantiated aspects of scalation, colour and pattern, hatchling colour and behaviour, "eyeshine" and habitat preferences. Until a more detailed analysis of diagnostic characters and comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is synonymised with *C. porosus*.

= *Crocodylus porosus* Schneider, 1801.
 Synonymy of this paper.

Order TESTUDINES

Family CHELIIDAE

Emydura tanybaraga Cann, 1997: 24

Paratype. R.20416, male, Daly River, crossing near Police Station, 13°45'S 130°41'E, M. Casey, 4 June 1994.

Comments. First published in the "Monitor", Journal of the Victorian Herpetological Society, where the paper's title differs from that given in the table of contents. The author is also only named in the contents. The paper is repeated almost verbatim in Cann (1998), leading to some confusion as to the date of publication. In the description the Daly River type locality is referred to as "Policeman's Crossing", this is an old name which is not in common usage today and could lead to confusion with "Policeman's Crossing" on the Rose River.

Order SQUAMATA
Suborder SAURIA
Family AGAMIDAE

Amphibolurus caudicinctus slateri Storr,
 1967b: 52

Paratypes (36). R.31252-31255
 (NTM1472-1475), Hermannsburg, 23°57'S
 132°46'E, 11 March 1964; R.31257
 (NTM1943), Reedy Creek, 24°18'S
 131°36'E, 15 August 1964; R.31258-31259
 (NTM2018-2019), Kathleen Creek, 24°02'S
 131°40'E, 15 August 1964; R.31260
 (NTM2378), Palm Valley, 24°03'S 132°43'E,
 25 November 1964; R.31261-31278
 (NTM2379-2396), Hermannsburg, 23°57'S
 132°46'E, 25 November 1964; R.31280-
 31289 (NTM2670-2679), Reedy Creek,
 24°18'S 131°36'E, 19-21 February 1965.

= *Ctenophorus caudicinctus slateri* after
 Storr (1982).

Family GEKKONIDAE

Gehyra borroloola King, 1983: 160

Holotype. R.10726, male, 4 km south of
 Balbirini Station turnoff on the Tablelands
 Highway, 16°46'S 135°44'E, M.E. King, 23
 June 1976.

Comments. King erroneously published
 the type locality as four kilometres south of
 the Balbirini Station turnoff on the Barkly
 Highway. The Balbirini Station turnoff is on
 the Tablelands Highway, approximately
 seven kilometres south of its junction with
 the Carpentaria Highway.

Paratypes (9). R.10717-23, 37.3 km
 northwest of the Balbirini Road junction,
 16°43'S 135°23'E, 19 April 1979; R.10724-
 10725, 37.3 km northwest of the Balbirini
 Road junction, 16°43'S 135°23'E, 24 April
 1979.

Comments. In the type description King
 lists a series of 10 paratypes as being lodged
 in the NTM collection. One of these is cited
 under the same catalogue number as the
 holotype. Though the collection data for this
 paratype differs (37 km north of Mimets
 Camp, McArthur River), it cannot be found
 and its location is unknown.

Gehyra membranacruralis King and Horner,
 1989: 174

Holotype. R.13746, male, Port Moresby,

Papua New Guinea, 09°30'S 147°07'E, D.
 Black, 1982.

Paratypes (2). PAPUA NEW GUINEA -
 R.13744-13745, Port Moresby, 09°30'S
 147°07'E, 1982.

Gehyra minuta King, 1982a: 155

Holotype. R.9878, 78.5 km south of
 Renner Springs, 18°55'S 134°06'E, M.E.
 King, 17 June 1973.

Paratypes (8). R.9879-9882, same data as
 holotype; R.9883-9886, 17.9 km north of
 Renner Springs, 18°12'S 133°43'E, 17 June
 1973.

Gehyra pamela King, 1982b: 97

Holotype. R.8656, Nourlangie Rock,
 12°43'S 132°33'E, M.E. King, 7 July 1980.

Paratypes (4). R.8657, Lightning
 Dreaming, 12°54'S 132°51'E, 9 August
 1979; R.8658, Cannon Hill, 12°23'S
 132°57'E, 30 July 1979; R.8659, Nourlangie
 Rock, 12°43'S 132°33'E, 7 July 1980;
 R.8660, Birndu, 12°28'S 132°56'E, 3
 September 1979.

Nephrurus anyae Couper (in Couper
 and Gregson, 1994: 60)

Paratypes (21). R.441, Barrow Creek,
 21°32'S 133°53'E, 26 November 1974;
 R.2458, Emily Gap, Alice Springs, 23°45'S
 133°57'E, 15 March 1976; R.5383, Alice
 Springs Power House, 23°42'S 133°55'E,
 22 February 1977; R.5466, Mount Gillen,
 Alice Springs, 23°43'S 133°48'E, 17
 October 1976; R.5586, Alice Springs,
 12°42'S 133°52'E, 1978; R.5969, Alice
 Springs, 12°42'S 133°52'E, 9 April 1978;
 R.12377, 16 km north of Alice Springs,
 23°34'S 133°53'E, 11 March 1984;
 R.12380, 9 km north of Alice Springs,
 23°37'S 133°53'E, 19 March 1984;
 R.14096, Mount Riddock Station, Dulcie
 Ranges, 22°30'S 135°25'E, 23 October
 1987; R.14991, Alice Springs, 23°42'S
 133°52'E, 23 October 1988; R.33715
 (CAMR1039), Krichauff Range, 23°59'S
 132°38'E, 8 May 1983; R.33716
 (CAMR1193), Bond Springs Station,
 23°34'S 133°52'E, 18 October 1982;
 R.33717 (CAMR537), Winnecke
 Goldfields, 23°02'S 134°23'E, 1976;
 R.33719 (NTM2355), Hermannsburg, Finke

River Crossing, 23°58'S 132°46'E, 25 November 1964; R.33720 (NTM2759), 19 Mile Bore, Alice Springs Hills, 23°35'S 133°52'E, 8 March 1965; R.33721 (NTM3084), Charles River, Alice Springs, 23°39'S 133°51'E, 7 October 1965; R.33722-33723 (NTM4222-4223), Wigley's turnoff, Alice Springs, 23°36'S 133°53'E, 22 December 1968; R.33724, R.33726 (NTM5, NTM6), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, February 1959; R.33728 (NTM8), no data.

Nephrurus sheai Couper (in Couper and Gregson, 1994: 63)

Holotype. R.11470, Bowerbird Camp, Magela Creek, Northern Territory, 12°47'S 133°07'E, I. Archibald and J. Bywater, 1 September 1983.

Paratypes (15). R.267, Katherine, 14°28'S 132°16'E, 28 November 1973; R.297, Katherine, 14°28'S 132°16'E, 15 December 1973; R.387, 4.7 miles north of Katherine, 14°27'S 132°15'E, 22 October 1974; R.2377, Katherine, Lower Farms Road, 14°35'S 132°12'E, 4 April 1976; R.3759-3761, 4 km north of Katherine, 14°27'S 132°15'E, 1977; R.4027, R.4272, Jim Jim Falls, 13°17'S 132°50'E, 13 August 1977; R.11464, R.12493, Bowerbird Camp, Magela Creek, 12°47'S 133°07'E, 31 August 1983; R.12605, Nabalek, 12°19'S 133°19'E, October 1982; R.13485, Bullita area, Gregory National Park, 16°07'S 130°26'E, 06 August 1986; R.17822, 10 km southeast of Oenpelli, 12°22'S 133°07'E, 21 July 1992; R.33718 (CAMR552), Wickham River, Victoria River District, 16°05'S 130°35'E, 7 June 1978.

Oedura attenuata Wells and Wellington, 1985: 13

Paratype. R.4816, 2 km east of Anakie, Queensland, 23°33'S 147°45'E, G.F. Gow, 10 December 1977.

= *Oedura marmorata* Gray, 1842, after Kluge (1991).

Oedura derelicta Wells and Wellington, 1985: 14

Holotype. R.11413, female, Jessie Gap, 17 km east of Alice Springs, 23°45'S 134°01'E, I. Archibald, 11 November 1983.

Comments. The diagnosis differentiated the taxon from *O. marmorata* Gray on the basis of "lack of transverse banding in mature *Oedura marmorata*."

= *Oedura marmorata* Gray, 1842, after Kluge (1991).

Oedura gemmata King and Gow, 1983: 446

Holotype. R.9877, rock outcrop by Kakadu Highway, 5 km west of the South Alligator River crossing, Northern Territory, 13°20'S 132°17'E, M.E. King and P. King, 22 May 1981.

Comments. King and Gow erroneously published the holotype as R.9817. The correct catalogue number is R.9877. R.9817 is allocated to a *Gehyra australis* Gray, 1845.

Paratypes (5). R.2506, Mount Brockman, 12°45'S 132°56'E, 22 June 1976; R.8880, Waterfall Creek, above falls, 13°58'S 132°31'E, 12 September 1980; R.9862-9863, Radon Creek, 12°45'S 132°56'E, 6 August 1975; R.9864, Buffalo Camp, Boroalba Creek, 12°50'S 132°50'E, 18 October 1974.

Family PYGOPODIDAE

Delma borea Kluge, 1974: 81

Paratypes (5). R.32293 (NTM1680), Darwin 12°25'S 13053'E, May 1964; R.32295 (NTM3080), Darwin 12°25'S 13053'E, 4 September 1965; R.32296 (NTM4582), Darwin 12°25'S 13053'E, 14 March 1969; R.32298 (NTM4950), Angurugu Mission, Groote Eylandt, 13°59'S 136°27'E, 29 September 1969; R.32300 (NTM9), Darwin 12°25'S 13053'E, 9 April 1959.

Family SCINCIDAE

Calyptotis ruficauda Greer, 1983: 30

Paratypes (7). NEW SOUTH WALES - R.4797-803, Dongdingalong Estate, South Kempsey, 31°05'S 152°50'E, 13 December 1977.

Comments. Greer erroneously published these paratypes as R.4697-703. The correct catalogue numbers are R.4797-803.

Carlia amax Storr, 1974: 160

Paratypes (11). R.31718 (NTM3891),

Nicholson River, 17°49'S 137°13'E, 31 August 1967; R.31719 (NTM3892), Springvale, 18°32'S 137°36'E, 22 August 1967; R.31720, R.31722 (NTM4550, NTM4552); Mount Borradaile, 12°03'S 132°55'E, 6 November 1968; R.31721 (NTM4551), Cooper Creek, 12°05'S 132°57'E, 3 November 1968; R.31723 (NTM5011), Deaf Adder Creek, 13°02'S 132°56'E, 28 September 1969; R.31724 (NTM5013), Muirella Park, 12°51'S 132°46'E, 1 October 1969; R.31726-31728 (NTM5738, NTM5742, NTM5747), Maria Island, 14°53'S 135°43'E, 14-18 July 1972; R.31732 (NTM5045), Deaf Adder Creek, 13°02'S 132°56'E, 19 September 1969.

Carlia gracilis Storr, 1974: 158

Paratypes (9). R.31748-31750 (NTM 1603-1605), Beatrice Hill, 12°39'S 131°19'E, 08 July 1964; R.31752-31754 (NTM4599-4601), Marrakai-Woolner Road, 12°58'S 131°18'E, 5 December 1968; R.31755-31756 (NTM4603-4604), Marrakai-Woolner Road, 12°58'S 131°18'E, 10 December 1968; R.31761 (NTM5477), Marrakai Station, 12°36'S 131°37'E, 7 June 1970.

Comments. Storr erroneously cited NTM4602 as one of the paratype series. This number is allocated to a *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858, and should be excluded from the type series.

Cryptoblepharus horneri Wells and Wellington, 1985: 27

Holotype. R.7762, Rimbija Island, Cape Wessel, 11°01'S 136°45'E, P.G. Horner, 16 October 1979.

Comments. The diagnosis simply referred to previously published data and illustrations (Horner 1984) comparing the taxon to *C. litoralis*. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *C. litoralis*.

= *Cryptoblepharus litoralis* (Mertens, 1958). Synonymy of this paper.

Cryptoblepharus swansonii Wells and Wellington, 1985: 27

Holotype. R.2915, Smith Street, Darwin, 12°27'S 130°50'E, R. Pengilley, 17 January 1977.

Paratypes (46). R.3005-50, Smith Street, Darwin, 12°27'S 130°50'E, 1-2 February January 1977.

Comments. This name is a *nomen nudum*. The diagnosis did not "state in words characters that are purported to differentiate the taxon" or supply "bibliographic reference to such a published statement" (International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature 1999, Article 13 (13.1.1-13.1.2)), but simply gave an unsubstantiated statement of habitat and distribution.

= *Cryptoblepharus plagicephalus* (Cocteau, 1836). Synonymy of this paper.

Ctenotus alacer Storr, 1970: 104

Paratypes (2). R.31867 (NTM3945), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 25 November 1967; R.31868 (NTM4105), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, January, 1968.

Ctenotus astictus Horner, 1995: 76

Holotype. R.11252, 14 km west of Numbulwar, on Ngukurr Road, 14°14'S 135°36'E. I. Archibald, 7 June 1983.

Paratypes (15). R.11250-11251, same data as holotype; R.14183, Lake Eames, Vanderlin Island, 15°41'S 137°02'E, 21 July 1988; R.16113, R.16134-16135, R.16140-16144, Cadell River crossing, Arnhem Land, 12°15'S 134°26'E, 12-13 July 1989; R.16177, Liverpool River crossing, Arnhem Land, 12°22'S 134°07'E, 18 July 1989; R.19151, R.19153, Red Point, Marchinbar Island, 11°16.7'S 136°35', 15 July 1993; R.20252, Bumaga Island, Wessel Islands, 11°46'S 136°05'E, 12 October 1993.

Ctenotus borealis Horner and King, 1985: 143

Holotype. R.3177, male, Ban Ban Springs, 13°23'S 131°30'E, D.C. Metcalfe, 14 February 1977.

Paratypes (9). R.2664, Border Store, 17 km southwest of Oenpelli, 12°23'S 132°57'E, 27 December 1976; R.2710, Berry Springs Reserve, 12°42'S 130°59'E, 02 January 1977; R.3186-3187, same data as holotype, except 15 February 1977; R.7044, El Sharana, 13°31'S 132°31'E, May 1979; R.7884, R.7965, R.8019, Cape Fourcroy, Bathurst Island, 11°47'S 130°01'E, 26, 29 October 1979, 1 November 1979; R.8825, 7

miles south of Adelaide River Town, 13°20'S 131°07'E, 10 August 1980.

Ctenotus brooksi aranda Storr, 1970: 108

Holotype. R.34520 (NTM2931), Ringwood, 24°12'S 135°05'E, D.A. Lindner, 14 June 1965.

Ctenotus pantherinus calx Storr, 1970: 99

Paratypes (2). R.32111 (NTM1632), Larrimah, 16°03'S 133°25'E, 05 July 1964; R.32123 (NTM3860), Nicholson River, 18°05'S 137°15'E, 4 September 1967.

Ctenotus regius Storr, 1971: 7

Paratype. SOUTH AUSTRALIA - R.32177 (NTM1552), Lambina Station, 26°56'S 134°06'E, 6 April 1964.

Ctenotus rimacola campris Horner
and Fisher, 1998: 194

Paratype. R.22936, Spirit Hills, Keep River, 15°23.52'S 129°05.33'E, 12 October 1996.

Ctenotus rimacola rimacola Horner
and Fisher, 1998: 191

Holotype. R.22905, male, Lindermans Bore, Limbunya Station, 17°33'S 130°05'E, A. Fisher, 6 October 1996.

Paratypes (10). R.18344, R.18346, Kidman Springs Station, 16°08'S 130°, 25 May 1997; R.20444, near Waterbag Bore, Victoria River Downs Station, 16°23'S 131°26'E, 14 May 1994; R.21537, Kirkimbie Station, 17°52.79'S 129°08.04'E, 08 June 1995; R.22803-22805, Kirkimbie Station, 17°44'S 129°14'E, 1-4 October 1996; R.23242-23244, near No.5 Bore, Mount Sanford Station, 17°10'S 130°54'E, 6 December 1996.

Ctenotus saxatilis Storr, 1970: 101

Paratypes (2). R.32218 (NTM1485), Alice Springs, 23°38'S 133°53'E, 12 March 1964; R.32219 (NTM2015), Ooraminna, 24°31'S 134°01'E, 18 September 1964.

Ctenotus septenarius King, Horner and Fyfe,
1988: 148

Holotype. R.13704, female, Bacon Range, near Henbury meteorite craters, 24°35'S 133°08'E, G. Fyfe, 17 September 1986.

Paratypes (11). R.13705-12, same data as holotype; R.13713, Valley of the Winds, Mount Olga, 25°18'S 130°44'E, 20 August 1986; R.15089-15090, southeast side of Mount Olga, 25°17'S 130°43'E, 5 March 1988.

Ctenotus strachii varius Storr, 1981: 139

Paratype. SOUTH AUSTRALIA - R.32270 (NTM1548), Lambina Station, 26°56'S 134°06'E, 21 May 1964.

Ctenotus stuarti Horner, 1995: 79

Holotype. R.13723, Swim Creek, Point Stuart Station, 12°34.5'S 131°49.5'E, P.G. Horner, 24 April 1988.

Paratypes (8). R.13086-13087, R.13722, R.13724-27, same data as holotype; R.17453, Kapalga, 12°40'S 132°22'E, 12 October 1992.

Ctenotus tanamiensis Storr, 1970: 103

Holotype. R.32274 (NTM2079), The Granites, 20°34'S 130°21'E, K.R. Slater, D.R. Stephens and D.A. Lindner, 9 September 1964.

Paratypes (6). R.32275, R.32277-80 (NTM2080, NTM2218-21), same data as holotype; R.32276 (NTM2203), Tanami Desert, 20°32'S 130°56'E, 12 September 1964.

Ctenotus vertebralis Rankin and Gillam,
1979: 501

Holotype. R.34521 (NTMR410), Arnold River, Cox River Station, 15°43'S 134°32'E, M.W. Gillam, 5 July 1977.

Paratype. R.34522 (NTMR411), Cox River headwaters, Cox River Station, 15°54'S 134°41'E, 7 July 1977.

Egernia arnhemensis Sadlier, 1990: 30

Holotype. R.0809, 6.1 km southwest of Oenpelli, 12°21'S 132°59'E, G.F. Gow and B. Jukes, 21 May 1975.

Paratypes (7). R.1190, 2 km southwest of Oenpelli, 12°23'S 133°01'E, 28 July 1975; R.8032-8034, R.8181, Nourlangie Rock, 12°52'S 132°, 26 November 1979; R.8387-8388, Little Nourlangie Rock, 12°52'S 132°47'E, 15 January 1980.

Comments. This name is a synonym of *Egernia obiri* (Wells and Wellington, 1985).

R.0809 and R.1190 are also types of *Hortonia obiri* Wells and Wellington, 1985.

= *Egernia obiri* (Wells and Wellington, 1985). Synonymy of this paper.

Egernia margaretae margaretae Storr, 1968: 53

Paratypes (17). R.32775, R.32777 (NTM1881, NTM1883), Reedy Creek, George Gill Range, 24°16'S 131°36'E, 14 August 1964; R.32776 (NTM1882), Kathleen Creek, George Gill Range, 24°02'S 131°40'E, 14 August 1964; R.32778-32779 (NTM2665-2666), Reedy Creek, George Gill Range, 24°18'S 131°36'E, 19-20 August 1964; R.32780 (NTM2667), Palm Valley, 24°03'S 132°42'E, 20 February 1965; R.32781-32782 (NTM2668-2669), Reedy Creek, George Gill Range, 24°18'S 131°36'E, 21 February 1964; R.32783-32784, R.32786-32788 (NTM2765-2766, TM2768-2770), Reedy Creek, George Gill Range, 24°18'S 131°36'E, 25 March 1965; R.32789-32792 (NTM2815-2818), Palm Valley, 24°03'S 132°, 18 April 1965.

Comments. Storr erroneously published NTM2284-85 as part of the paratype series. NTM2284-85 are allocated to two specimens of *Eremiascincus fasciolatus* Günther, 1867, and are cited as such by Storr in an earlier publication (Storr 1967a). NTM2284-85 should be excluded from the type series.

Egernia slateri slateri Storr, 1968: 53

Paratypes (57). R.32799-32809, R.32811 (NTM2052-2053, NTM2055-2062, NTM-2169, NTM2171), R.32815-32817, R.32819, R.32821, R.32823, R.32829 (NTM2191-2193, NTM2195, NTM2198, NTM2200, NTM2269), R.32824-32828 (NTM2227-2231), R.32830-32832 (NTM2272-2274), R.32833-32844, R.32846-32847, R.32878 (NTM2286-2297, NTM2299-2300, NTM-2605), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, September/October 1964; R.32881-32885, R.32888 (NTM2683-2686, NTM2757, NTM2883), R.32887 (NTM2853), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, March/April 1965; R.32848-32850 (NTM2348-2350), 10 miles northeast of Hermannsburg, 23°54'S 132°57'E, 26 November 1964; R.32851, R.32877, R.32879, R.32880 (NTM2578, NTM2604, NTM2606, NTM2634), near

Ellery Creek, 23°55'S 132°56'E, 16-17 December 1964; R.32886 (NTM2771), Tempe Downs Station, 24°28'S 131°35'E, 29 March 1965.

Comments. The type description lists a series of 58 paratypes as being lodged in the NTM collection. Of these, NTM2197 cannot be found and its location is unknown.

Glaphyromorphus harwoodi Wells and Wellington, 1985: 30

Holotype. R.3465, Brunette Downs Station, 18°39'S 135°57'E, H.P. Van Dyke, 8 June 1977.

Comments. The diagnosis differentiated the taxon from congeners on the unsubstantiated basis of "almost uniform brown colouration and its much longer tail (about 3 times SVL)". Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *G. isolepis*.

= *Glaphyromorphus isolepis* (Boulenger, 1887). Synonymy of this paper.

Hortonia obiri Wells and Wellington, 1985: 30

Holotype. R.1190, 2 km southwest of Oenpelli, 12°23'S 133°01'E, B. Jukes, 28 July 1975.

Paratype. R.0809, 6.1 km west of Oenpelli, 12°21'S 132°59'E, 21 May 1975.

Comments. The diagnosis of this taxon was based on unsubstantiated aspects of colour, body pattern and distribution. Sadlier (1990) firmly established the distinctiveness of the taxon when he described it as *Egernia arnhemensis* (at this time the scientific status of Wells and Wellington (1985) was in question). R.1190 and R.0809 are also types of *E. arnhemensis* Sadlier, 1990.

= *Egernia obiri* (Wells and Wellington, 1985). Nomenclature of this paper.

Lerista aericeps aericeps Storr, 1986: 145

Holotype. R.34506 (CAMR1568), 25 km south of Alice Springs, 23°57'S 133°56'E, A. Kerle, 5 November 1985.

Comments. Storr erroneously published the holotype as CAMR.1565. The correct catalogue number is CAMR.1568, which is now re-catalogued as R.34506. CAMR.1565 is a paratype of *Lerista aericeps taeniata* Storr, 1986.

Paratypes (4). R.33363 (CAMR1140), Kurundi Station, 20°37'S 134°05'E, 25 September 1983; R.33365 (CAMR379), Andado Station, 25°25'S 135°17'E, 09 September 1977; R.33369 (CAMR1573), one km north of Ewaninga, 23°58'S 133°55'E, 06 September 1985; R.34507 (NTM50), 16 miles north of Alice Springs, 23°30'S 133°50'E, 25 May 1955.

Comments. Greer (1990) synonymised *Lerista aericeps aericeps* Storr, 1986 with *Lerista xanthura* Storr, 1976. This taxonomy has been challenged by Storr (1991) who recognises the taxon as *Lerista aericeps* Storr, 1986.

= *Lerista xanthura* after Greer (1990).

Lerista aericeps taeniata Storr, 1986: 148

Holotype. R.33367 (CAMR1566), 20 km east of the Granites, 20°34'S 130°38'E, S.R. Morton, 15 November 1985.

Paratypes (11). R.33362 (CAMR1043), Tanami Desert, 20°15'S 131°, 14 June 1983; R.33364 (CAMR1314), Sangster's Bore, 20°53'S 130°24'E, 11 December 1984; R.33366, R.33368 (CAMR1565, CAMR1567), R.33462 (CAMR1574), R.34508-34511 (CAMR1569-1572), R.34512-34513 (CAMR1575-1576), Tanami Desert, 20°34'S 130°38'E, April/November 1985.

Comments. Storr erroneously published R.33366 (CAMR1565) as the holotype of *Lerista aericeps aericeps* Storr 1986: 145. See comments under *L. a. aericeps*.

= *Lerista taeniata* after Greer (1990).

Menetia alauae Rankin, 1979: 492

Paratypes (2). R.2739, 32.5 km southeast of Noonamah, 12°54'S 131°, 02 January 1977; R.4733, Nakara, suburb of Darwin, 12°23'S 130°53'E, 06 November 1977.

Menetia concinna Sadlier, 1984: 46

Paratype. R.2665, 34.5 km southwest of Oenpelli, 12°30'S 132°55'E, 28 December 1976).

Morethia storri Greer, 1980: 89

Holotype. R.1815, 4.5 km south of Noonamah, 12°40.5'S 131°05'E, G.F. Gow and R.W. Wells, 10 November 1975.

Paratypes (4). R.2715, Berry Springs Reserve, 12°42'S 130°, 02 January 1977;

R.2731-2732, 32.5 km southeast of Noonamah, 12°54'S 131°12'E, 2 January 1977; R.2864, Millner, suburb of Darwin, 12°23'S 130°50'E, August 1976.

Proablepharus barklyensis Wells and Wellington, 1985: 36

Holotype. R.3673, Brunette Downs Station homestead, 18°39'S 135°57'E, H.P. Van Dyke, 18 January 1977.

Comments. The diagnosis differentiated the taxon from *P. kinghorni* on the unsubstantiated basis of indistinct body pattern and a larger maximum size. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. kinghorni*.

= *Proablepharus kinghorni* (Copland, 1947). Synonymy of this paper.

Sphenomorphus isolepis douglasi Storr, 1967a: 16

Paratype. NTM1602, Beatrice Hill, 12°39'S 131°20'E, 8 July 1964.

Comments. NTM1602 cannot be found. A note in the CAWC catalogue indicates this specimen had become desiccated and was discarded.

= *Glaophyromorphus douglasi* after Greer (1989).

Family VARANIDAE

Varanus bariji King and Horner, 1987: 74

Holotype. R.13192, female, Mirrngadjja, Arnhem Swamp, Arnhem Land, 12°39'S 135°12'E, N. White, 5 June 1985.

Paratypes (9). R.3107, 8 km north of Pine Creek, 13°47'S 131°47'E, 20 February 1977; R.6531, Katherine, 14°28'S 132°16'E, 1 December 1978; R.8346-8348, 7 miles south of Adelaide River Town, 13°21'S 131°, 22 January 1980; R.8364, 7 miles west of Stuart Highway, on Daly River road, 13°30'S 131°03'E, 05 February 1980; R.8931, 20 km south of Adelaide River Town, 13°27'S 131°11'E, 10 August 1980; R.13150-13151, Donydji, Arnhem Land, 12°55'S 135°19'E, 01 September 1985.

Varanus kingorum Storr, 1980: 268

Paratypes (2). WESTERN AUSTRALIA - R.6681, R.6954, Turkey Creek, 16°54'S 128°19'E, 14 April 1979.

Order SQUAMATA
Suborder SERPENTES
Family BOIDAE

***Liasis stimsoni orientalis* Smith, 1985: 270**

Paratypes (38). R.0434, 6 miles east of the Granites, 20°06'S 130°25'E, 17 November 1974; R.0543, Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°52'E, 2 August 1975; R.0711, 6 km north of Alice Springs, 23°36'S 133°52'E, 2 November 1974; R.0712, 14.5 km north of Alice Springs, 23°34'S 133°50'E, 14 April 1975; R.0713, 12.2 km north of Alice Springs, 23°35'S 133°51'E, 3 June 1975; R.0756, 14 km north of Alice Springs, 23°34'S 133°50'E, 7 June 1975; R.2455, Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°52'E, 2 March 1976; R.3637, R.3669, Anthony Lagoon Station, 17°59'S 135°36'E, 19-21 May 1977; R.3643, R.3649, R.3660, Brunette Downs Station racecourse, 18°39'S 135°57'E, 22 May 1977; R.3683, Barkly Highway, 19°18'S 135°00'E, 23 May 1977; R.3807, Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°52'E, 1977; R.5219, one km east of Brunette Downs Station homestead, 18°39'S 135°57'E, 8 April 1978; R.5233-5234, Brunette Downs Station racecourse, 18°39'S 135°57'E, 6 April 1978; R.5361, 35 km east of Three Ways, on Barkly Highway, 19°23'S 134°, 27 May 1978; R.5844-5845, Anthony Lagoon Station, 17°59'S 135°, 26 May 1978; R.8438-8439, No.3A Bore, Rockhampton Downs Station, 19°22'S 135°18'E, 25 February 1980; R.8440, No.6 Bore, Rockhampton Downs Station, 19°23'S 135°24'E, 25 February 1980; R.8553, Alroy Downs Station, 19°18'S 136°04'E, 5 March 1980; R.31639 (CAMR145), Muckaty Station, 18°38'S 133°52'E, 26-12 1975; R.31644, R.31649 (NTM1391, NTM1437), Simpsons Gap, 23°04'S 133°43'E, 1-2 January 1964; R.31645 (NTM1392), Alice Springs, 23°04'S 133°, 13 January 1964; R.31648 (NTM1395), Todd River Station, 23°58.05'S 134°, 31 January 1964; R.31652 (NTM1647), Todd River Station, 23°48'S 134°, 12 February 1964; R.31684 (NTM2336), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, 5 November 1964; R.31685 (NTM2337), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, 10 November 1964; R.31687 (NTM3214), Stuart Highway, 21°00'S 134°12'E, 27 January 1966; R.31688 (NTM3215), Attack Creek, 19°02'S 134°08'E, 29 January 1966; R.31689 (NTM3216), Stuart Highway, 20°48'S 134°14'E, 21 January 1966;

R.31690 (NTM3270), Petermann Ranges, 24°52'S 129°03'E, 28 March 1966; R.31692 (NTM4032), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 1967; R.31693 (NTM5349), Elkeda Station, 21°01'S 135°27'E, 23 March 1970.

Comments. In a typographical error, Smith published R.8440 as R.0844. The correct catalogue number is R.8440. R.0844 is allocated to a *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858.

***Python bredli* Gow, 1981: 29**

Holotype. R.4535, Pitchie Ritchie Park, Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°55'E, K. Roth, 12 January 1977.

Paratypes (10). R.0328, Harts Range, 23°06'S 134°55'E, 17 July 1974; R.0430, 12 miles east of the Granites, 20°43'S 130°27'E, 17 November 1974; R.0709-0710, born in captivity, parent from Harts Range, 23°06'S 134°55'E, 27 April 1974; R.1974, Mount Gillen, Alice Springs, 23°43'S 133°48'E, 12 November 1975; R.2995, no data; R.2996, Garden Station, 23°17'S 134°25'E, 10 October 1976); R.4635-4637, Harts Range, 23°06'S 134°55'E, 1975.

Comments. Kluge (1993) treated this taxon as a subspecies of *M. spilota* (Lacépède, 1804).

= *Morelia bredli* after Kluge (1993).

***Python oenpelliensis* Gow, 1977: 133**

Holotype. R.0840, male, 6.5 km west of Oenpelli, 12°21'S 132°59'E, B. Jukes, 27 June 1975.

= *Morelia oenpelliensis* after Kluge (1993).

Family COLUBRIDAE

***Cerberus montgomeryi* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 43**

Holotype. R.5114, Edward River, western Cape York Peninsula, Queensland, 14°39'S 142°03'E, J. Bredl, 1975.

Comments. The diagnosis of this taxon is based solely on a previously published illustration and description of *C. rynchos novaeguineae* in Gow (1983). Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *C. rynchos novaeguineae*.

= *Cerberus rynchops novaeguineae* Loveridge, 1948. Synonymy of this paper.

Family ELAPIDAE
***Acanthophis hawkei* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 43**

Holotype. R.3677, 1.5 miles southwest of Brunette Downs Station homestead, Barkly Tablelands, 18°40'S 135°55'E, H.P. Van Dyke, 20 April 1977.

Comments. This name is almost certainly a nomen nudum. The diagnosis did not "state in words characters that are purported to differentiate the taxon" or supply "bibliographic reference to such a published statement" (International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature 1999, Article 13 (13.1.1-13.1.2)), but simply gave unsubstantiated statements on distribution, maximum size, juvenile colouration and a reference to unpublished ecological and morphological data and an illustration.

= *Acanthophis antarcticus* (Shaw and Nodder, 1802). Synonymy of this paper.

***Brachyurophis murrayi* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 44**

Holotype. R.3451, Casuarina, suburb of Darwin, 12°21'S 130°52'E, L. Miels, 19 June 1977.

Comments. The relatively detailed diagnosis is based on a description of the holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *B. roperi*.

= *Brachyurophis roperi* (Kinghorn, 1931). Synonymy of this paper.

***Denisonia ordensis* Storr, 1984a: 254**

Paratypes (3). WESTERN AUSTRALIA - R.0314, Gordon Downs Station, 18°45'S 128°35'E, August 1973; NORTHERN TERRITORY - R.32406-32407 (CAMR561-562); Wave Hill Station, 17°35'S 130°05'E, 9 June 1978.

= *Suta ordensis* after Cogger (1986).

***Pseudonaja imperitor* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 48**

Holotype. R.3352, Angurugu, Groote Eylandt, 13°58'S 136°26'E, J. Waddy, 2 September 1976.

Comments. The holotype comprises the head and neck of an adult specimen. The diagnosis is based on a description of the partial holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. nuchalis*.

= *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858. Synonymy of this paper.

***Pseudonaja jukesii* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 48**

Holotype. R.1186, Oenpelli, 12°20'S 133°02'E, B. Jukes, 15 April 1975.

Comments. The diagnosis is based on a description of the holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. nuchalis*.

= *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858. Synonymy of this paper.

***Pseudonaja kellyi* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 48**

Holotype. R.1689, Stuart Highway, 160 km north of Ayres Rock turnoff, 24°00'S 133°40'E, P.G. Horner, 22 October 1975.

Comments. The diagnosis is based on a description of the holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. nuchalis*.

= *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858. Synonymy of this paper.

***Pseudonaja mengdeni* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 48**

Holotype. R.1989, 2 km east of Maryvale, 24°04'S 134°05'E, B. Jukes, 16 November 1975.

Comments. The diagnosis is based on a description of the holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. nuchalis*.

= *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858. Synonymy of this paper.

***Pseudonaja ohnoi* Wells and Wellington, 1985: 48**

Holotype. R.1970, Mount Gillen, Alice Springs, 23°43'S 133°48'E, K. Roth, 10 November 1975.

Comments. The diagnosis is based on a

description of the holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. textilis*.

= *Pseudonaja textilis* (Duméril, Bibron and Duméril, 1854). Synonymy of this paper.

Pseudonaja vanderstraateni Wells
and Wellington, 1985: 49

Holotype. R.0371, Stuart Highway, 100 miles north of Katherine, 15°20'S 133°08'E. G.F. Gow, 22 October 1974).

Comments. The diagnosis is based on a description of the holotype only. Until a more detailed comparison with congeners is made, the taxon is placed as a synonym of *P. nuchalis*.

= *Pseudonaja nuchalis* Günther, 1858.
Synonymy of this paper.

Simoselaps morrissi Horner, 1998: 64

Holotype. R.22951, male, Elcho Island, 12°03'S 135°34'E, K. Aland and A. Yumbulul, 10 October 1996.

Paratype. R.17740, Arnhem Land, 20 km east of the Goomadeer River crossing, 12°08'S 133°22'E, 04 October 1992.

Vermicella annulata snelli Storr, 1967c: 82

Paratypes (2). R.34479 (NTM2577), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°, 21 December 1964; R.34485 (NTM76), Hermannsburg, 23°57'S 132°46'E, 1961.

Comments. In the type description Storr lists a series of three paratypes as being lodged in the NTM collection. NTM75 cannot be found and its location is unknown. R.34479 and R.34485 are also paratypes of *Vermicella vermiformis* Keogh and Smith, 1996.

Vermicella intermedia Keogh and Smith,
1996: 688

Holotype. R.17196, Humpty Doo District, 12°38'S 131°15'E, G. F. Gow, 1985.

Paratypes (21). R.0221, Katherine Gorge road, 14°24'S 132°20'E, 5 January 1974; R.0354, cx Yarrawonga Zoo, Howard Springs, 12°30'S 131°04'E, 20 October 1974; R.1203, Darwin, 12°26'S 130°55'E, 1975; R.1959, Shoal Bay, Darwin, 12°16'S

131°01'E, 30 October 1975; R.2250, Lower Farms Road, Katherine, 14°29'S 132°14'E, 11 March 1976; R.3476, Stuart Highway, 0.4 km north of Arnhem Highway turnoff, 13°50'S 131°49'E, 09 April 1977; R.5178, Stuart Highway, 6.3 km south of Adelaide River Town, 13°19'S 131°09'E, 24 February 1978; R.16642, Jabiru, 22°19'S 145°01'E, 1986; R.16705, Humpty Doo District, 12°38'S 131°15'E, 21 October 1987; R.16773, Second Street, Katherine, 14°28'S 132°16'E, 11 March 1991; R.17187, R.17191-17195, R.17299-17300, same data as holotype; R.20410, McMinn's Lagoon, 12°31'S 131°05'E, 7 November 1987; R.34481 (NTM3529), Berrimah, Darwin, 12°27'S 130°, 10 April 1967; R.34486 (NTM1078), Darwin, 12°03'S 130°35'E, 1963.

Vermicella semifasciata incincta Storr,
1967c: 89

Paratypes (3). R.34168-34169 (NTM2262-2263), Mount Denison Station, 22°08'S 132°05'E, 1 October 1964; R.34170 (NTM63) Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 18 December 1960.

= *Simoselaps incinctus* after Cogger (1975).

Vermicella vermiformis Keogh and Smith,
1996: 695

Holotype. R.34484 (NTM5959), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, Anon., 03 June 1972.

Paratypes (7). R.34476 (CAMR240), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°, 6 May 1976; R.34477 (CAMR448), Ellery Gorge, MacDonnell Ranges, 23°47'S 133°04'E, February 1978; R.34478 (CAMR640), Jay Creek Settlement, 23°45'S 133°35'E, 23 March 1979; R.34479 (NTM2577), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 21 December 1964; R.34480 (NTM3411); Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, 27 January 1967; R.34483 (NTM5896), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, October 1972; R.34485 (NTM76), Hermannsburg, 23°57'S 132°46'E, 1961.

Comments. The type description cites a series of 10 paratypes as being lodged in the NTM collection. R.34480 is cited twice (once under old number NTM3411). The

type description also erroneously cites registration numbers R.34476-34479 as R.33476-33479. R.34485 (NTM76) and R.34479 (NTM2577) are also paratypes of *Vermicella annulata snelli* Storr. 1967.

Family TYPHLOPIDAE

Ramphotyphlops centralis Storr, 1984b: 313

Holotype. R.34490 (CAMR317), male, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, 23°42'S 133°52'E, Anon., October 1976.

Paratypes (5). R.34491 (NTM5888), Pine Gap, 23°48'S 133°44'E, 3 November 1972; R.34492 (NTM5890), Alice Springs, 23°46'S 133°53'E, 2 October 1972; R.34493 (NTM5895), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 18 October 1972; R.34494 (NTM5906), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 15 December 1972; R.34495 (CAMR138), Alice Springs, 23°42'S 133°53'E, 30 October 1974.

Ramphotyphlops nema Shea and Horner, 1996: 54

Holotype. R.21665, Fannie Bay, suburb of Darwin, 12°26' S 130°50'E, D. Low Choy, 8 February 1995.

Paratypes (2). R.16047, Malak, suburb of Darwin, 12°24'S 130°54'E, 10 April 1990; R.34110 (NTM3236), Darwin, 12°25'S 130°53'E, December 1965.

Class MAMMALIA

Order CHIROPTERA

Family HIPPOSIDERIDAE

Hipposideros diadema inornatus McKean, 1970: 138

Holotype. U.2379 (NTM4696), Deaf Adder Creek, Arnhem Land escarpment, 13°06'S 132°56'E, W. Bolton, D. Howc and S.A. Parker, 12 September 1969.

Comments. The holotype consists of a study skin and separate skull.

Paratypes (6). U.2376 (NTM4689), U.2377-78 (NTM4693-94), U.2380-81 (NTM4700-01), U.2382 (NTM4721), same locality as holotype.

Comments. Paratypes are all study skins with separate skulls.

Order DASYUROMORPHIA

Family DASYURIDAE

Sminthopsis bindi Van Dyke, Woinarski and Press, 1994: 312

Holotype. U.0944, Eva Valley Station, 14°30'S 132°45'E, J.C.Z. Woinarski, 22 February 1991.

Comments. The holotype is a spirit preserve with separate dry skull.

Paratypes (5). U.0716, El Sharana Plateau, Kakadu National Park, 13°31'S 132°33'E; U.0943, same data as holotype; U.0945, Stuart Highway, 33 km south of Arnhem Highway turnoff, 12°51'S 131°08'E; U.0946, Arnhem Highway, 77 km east of Stuart Highway, 12°53'S 131°40'E; U.0954, Roper Valley Station, 14°55'S 133°54'E.

Comments. Paratypes are spirit preserves. U.0716 has separate dry skull.

Order RODENTIA

Family MURIDAE

Pseudomys johnsoni Kitchener, 1985: 208

Holotype. U.3486 (Camm854), Kurundi Station, 20°37'S 135°01'E, M. Hewett, 27 September 1983.

Comments. The holotype is a spirit preserve with separate dry skull.

Paratypes (9). U.3487 (Camm797), U.3491-95 (Camm1034, Camm1036-37, Camm1039-40), McLaren Creek Station, Murchison Range, 20°29'S 134°27'E; U.3488-90 (Camm847, Camm849, Camm853), Kurundi Station, 20°37'S 134°51'E.

Comments. Paratypes are spirit preserves. U.3487, U.3488-3490, U.3494-3495 have separate dry skulls. Skulls from U.3491 and U.3492 cannot be found and their location is unknown.

Zyzomys maini Kitchener, 1989: 357

Holotype. U.4027 (Camm1002), Djawamba Massif, 1.5 km east of Ja Ja Billabong, 12°31'S 132°54'E, A. Kerle, 26 August 1979.

Comments. The holotype is a spirit preserve with separate dry skull.

Paratypes (5). U.0505-06, U.4032 (Camm248), Little Nourlangie Rock,

Kakadu National Park, 12°44'S 132°55'E; U.4028 (CAMM1008), Magela Creek, Kakadu National Park, 12°34'S 132°55'E; U.4036 (NTM4287), Mount Borradaile, Arnhem Land, 12°03'S 132°55'E.

Comments. Paratypes U.0505-06 and U.4032 are dry skulls only. U.4028 and U.4036 are spirit preserves with separate dry skulls.

Zyzomys palatalis Kitchener, 1989: 361

Holotype. U.1388, Banyan Gorge, Wollogorang Station, 17°12'S 137°41'E, D.G. Langford, 10 June 1987.

Comments. The holotype is a spirit preserve with separate dry skull.

Paratypes (1). U.1148, Echo Gorge, Wollogorang Station, 17°12'S 137°41'E.

Comments. The paratype is a spirit preserve with separate dry skull.

Class AVES

Order COLUMBIFORMES

Family COLUMBIDAE

Petrophassa albipennis boothi Goodwin, 1969:132.

Holotype. T.3074 (NTM5000), Stokes Range, Victoria River District, 15°36'S 131°06'E, British Museum (Natural History) Harold Hall Expedition, led by Major B. D. McDonald Booth, 11 August 1968.

Comments. The holotype is a study skin, which has attached a label bearing the number: Brit. Mus. Reg. 1969.4.112.

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	Scientific name under which originally described	MAGNT Reg. No. (prefix = NTM)
REPTILIA		
Crocodylidac	<i>Crocodylus pethericki</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.24821
Gekkonidae	<i>Gelyra borroloola</i> King, 1983	R.10726
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra membranacruralis</i> King and Horner, 1989	R.13746
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra minuta</i> King, 1982	R.9878
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra pamela</i> King, 1982	R.8656
Gekkonidae	<i>Nephrurus sheai</i> Couper, 1994	R.11470
Gekkonidae	<i>Oedura derelicta</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.11413
Gekkonidae	<i>Oedura gemmata</i> King and Gow, 1983	R.9877
Scincidac	<i>Cryptoblepharus horneri</i> Wells and Wellington, 198	R.7762
Scincidac	<i>Cryptoblepharus swansonii</i> Wells and Wellington, 19	R.2915
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus astictus</i> Horner, 1995	R.11252
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus borealis</i> Horner and King, 1985	R.3177
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus brooksi aranda</i> Storr, 1970	R.34520 (NTM2931)
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus rimacola rimacola</i> Horner and Fisher, 199	R.22905
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus septenarius</i> King, Horner and Fyfe, 1988	R.13704
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus stuarti</i> Horner, 1995	R.13723
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus tanamiensis</i> Storr, 1970	R.32274 (NTM2079)
Scincidac	<i>Ctenotus vertebralis</i> Rankin and Gillam, 1979	R.34521 (NTMR410)
Scincidac	<i>Egernia arnhemensis</i> Sadlier, 1990	R.0809
Scincidac	<i>Glaphyromorphus harwoodi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.3465
Scincidac	<i>Hortonia obiri</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.1190
Scincidac	<i>Lerista aericeps aericeps</i> Storr, 1986	R.34506 (CAMR1568)
Scincidac	<i>Lerista aericeps taeniata</i> Storr, 1986	R.33367 (CAMR1566)
Scincidac	<i>Morethia storri</i> Greer, 1980	R.1815
Scincidac	<i>Proablepharus barklyensis</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.3673
Varanidae	<i>Varanus baritji</i> King and Horner, 1987	R.13192
Boidae	<i>Python bredli</i> Gow, 1981	R.4535
Boidae	<i>Python oenpelliensis</i> Gow, 1977	R.0840
Colubridac	<i>Cerberus montgomeryi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.5114
Elapidac	<i>Acanthophis hawkei</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.3677
Elapidac	<i>Brachyurophis murrayi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.3451
Elapidac	<i>Pseudonaja imperitor</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.3352
Elapidac	<i>Pseudonaja jukesi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.1186
Elapidae	<i>Pseudonaja kellyi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.1689
Elapidae	<i>Pseudonaja mengdeni</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.1989
Elapidae	<i>Pseudonaja olnoi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.1970
Elapidae	<i>Pseudonaja vanderstraateni</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	R.0371
Elapidae	<i>Simoselaps morrisi</i> Horner, 1998	R.22951
Elapidae	<i>Vernicella intermedia</i> Keogh and Smith, 1996	R.17196
Elapidae	<i>Vernicella vermiformis</i> Keogh and Smith, 1996	R.34484 (NTM5959)
Typhlopidae	<i>Ramphotyphlops centralis</i> Storr, 1984	R.34490 (CAMR317)
Typhlopidae	<i>Ramphotyphlops nema</i> Shea and Horner, 1996	R.21665
MAMMALIA		
Hipposideridae	<i>Hipposideros diadema inornatus</i> McKean, 1970	U.2379 (NTM4696)
Dasyuridae	<i>Sminthopsis bindi</i> Van Dyke, Woinarski and Press, 1994	U.0944
Muridae	<i>Pseudomys johnsoni</i> Kitchener, 1985	U.3486 (CAMS854)
Muridae	<i>Zyzomys maini</i> Kitchener, 1989	U.4027 (CAMS1002)
Muridae	<i>Zyzomys palatalis</i> Kitchener, 1989	U.1388
AVES		
Columbidae	<i>Petrophassa albipennis boothi</i> Goodwin, 1969	T.3074 (NTM5000)

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AMPHIBIA			
Hylidae	<i>Cyclorana maculosa</i> Tyler and Martin, 1976	1	R30093 (NTM3178)
Hylidae	<i>Cyclorana maini</i> Tyler and Martin, 1976	5	R30034-36 (NTM2309-11); R30037 (NTM2316); R30079 (NTM3177)
Hylidae	<i>Litoria pallida</i> Davies, Watson and Martin, 1983	2	R10098-99
Hylidae	<i>Litoria personata</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1978	3	R30804-06 (CAMA123-25)
Myobatrachida	<i>Megistololis liguriatus</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin	7	R578-79; R642; R2143; R5035; R31043-44 (CAMA121-22)
Myobatrachida	<i>Ranidella bilingua</i> Martin, Tyler and Davies, 1980	2	R5838-39
Myobatrachida	<i>Uperoleia arenicola</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1981	1	R6276
Myobatrachida	<i>Uperoleia inundata</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1981	2	R6934-35
Myobatrachida	<i>Uperoleia lithomoda</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1981	1	R6936
Myobatrachida	<i>Uperoleia micromela</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1981	1	R31199 (CAMA140)
Myobatrachida	<i>Uperoleia trachyderma</i> Tyler, Davies and Martin, 1981	1	R9865
REPTILIA			
Chelidae	<i>Emydura tanybaraga</i> Cann, 1997	1	R20416
Agamidae	<i>Amphibolurus caudicinctus slateri</i> Storr, 1967	36	R31252-55 (NTM1472-75); R31257 (NTM1943); R31258-59 (NTM2018-19); R31260-78 (NTM2378-96); R31280-89 (NTM2670-79)
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra borroloola</i> King, 1983	9	R10717-25
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra membranacnuralis</i> King and Horner, 1989	2	R13744-45
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra minuta</i> King, 1982	8	R9879-86
Gekkonidae	<i>Gehyra pamela</i> King, 1982	4	R8657-60
Gekkonidae	<i>Nephrurus amyae</i> Couper, 1994	21	R441; R2458; R5383; R5466; R5586; R5969; R12377; R12380; R14096; R14991; R33715 (CAMA1039); R33716 (CAMA1193); R33717 (CAMA1537); R33719 (NTM2355); R33720 (NTM2759); R33721 (NTM3084); R33722-23 (NTM4222-23); R33724 (NTM5); R33726 (NTM6); R33728 (NTM8)
Gekkonidae	<i>Nephrurus sheai</i> Couper, 1994	15	R267; R297; R387; R2377; R3759-61; R4027; R4272; R11464; R12493; R12605; R13485; R17822; R33718 (CAMA1552)
Gekkonidae	<i>Oedura aitkenboroughi</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	1	R4816
Gekkonidae	<i>Oedura gemmata</i> King and Gow, 1983	5	R2506; R8880; R9862-64;
Pygopodidae	<i>Delma borea</i> Kluge, 1974	5	R32293 (NTM1680); R32295 (NTM3080); R32296 (NTM4582); R32298 (NTM4950); R32300 (NTM9)
Scincidae	<i>Calyptotis ruficauda</i> Greer, 1983	7	R4797-803
Scincidae	<i>Carlia amax</i> Storr, 1974	11	R31718-19 (NTM3891-92); R31720-22 (NTM4550-52); R31723 (NTM5011); R37124 (NTM5013); R31726 (NTM5738); R31727 (NTM5742); R31728 (NTM5747); R31732 (NTM5945)

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<i>Scincidae</i>		
<i>Carlia gracilis</i> Storr, 1974	9	R31748-50 (NTM1603-05); R31752-54 (NTM4599-601); R31755-56 (NTM4603-04); R31761 (NTM5477)
<i>Cryptoblepharus swansonii</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	46	R3005-50
<i>Ctenous alacer</i> Storr, 1970	2	R31867 (NTM3945); R31868 (NTM4105)
<i>Ctenous astictus</i> Horner, 1995	15	R11250-51; R14183; R16113; R16134-35; R16140-44; R16177; R19151; R19153; R20252
<i>Ctenous borealis</i> Horner and King, 1985	9	R2664; R2710; R3186-87; R7044; R7884; R7965; R8019; R8825
<i>Ctenous pantherinus</i> calx Storr, 1970	2	R32111 (NTM1632); R32123 (NTM3860)
<i>Ctenous regius</i> Storr, 1971	1	R32177 (NTN11552)
<i>Ctenous rimacola campiris</i> Horner and Fisher, Ctenous rimacola rimacola Horner and Fisher,	1	R22936
<i>Ctenous sepienarius</i> King, Horner and Fyfe, 1981	10	R18344; R18346; R20444; R21537; R22803-05; R23242-44
<i>Ctenous sepienarius</i> King, Horner and Fyfe, 1981	2	R32218 (NTM1485); R32219 (NTM2015)
<i>Ctenous strauchi varius</i> Storr, 1981	11	R13705-13; R15089-90
<i>Ctenous strauchi</i> Storr, 1970	1	R32220 (NTM1548)
<i>Ctenous tannanensis</i> Storr, 1970	8	R13086-87; R13722; R13724-27; R17453
<i>Ctenous tannanensis</i> Storr, 1970	6	R32275 (NTM2080); R32276 (NTM2203); R32277-80 (NTM2218-21)
<i>Ctenous vertebralis</i> Rankin and Gillam, 1979	1	R34522 (R411)
<i>Egernia arithemensis</i> Sadlier, 1990	7	R.1190; R8032-34; R8181; R 8387-88
<i>Egernia margaretae margaretae</i> Storr, 1968	17	R32775-77 (NTM1881-83); R32778-82 (NTM2665-69); R32783-84 (NTM2765-66); R32786-88 (NTM2768-70); R32789-92 (NTM2815-18)
<i>Egernia stateri stateri</i> Storr, 1968	57	R32799-800 (NTM2052-53); R32801-08 (NTM2055-62); R32809 (NTM2195); R32821 (NTM2198); R32823 (NTM2200); R32824-28 (NTM2227-31); R32829 (NTM2269); R32830-32 (NTM2272-74); R32833-44 (NTM2286-97); R32846-47 (NTM2299-300); R32848- 50 (NTM2348-50); R32851 (NTM2578); R32877-79 (NTM2604-06); R32880 (NTM2634); R32881-84 (NTM2683-86); R32885 (NTM2757); R32886 (NTM2771); R32887 (NTM2853); R32888 (NTM2883)
<i>Scincidae</i>		
<i>Hortonia obiri</i> Wells and Wellington, 1985	1	R.0809
<i>Lerista aericeps aericeps</i> Storr, 1986	4	R33363 (CAMR1140); R33365 (CAMR379); R33369 (CAMR1573); R34507 (NTM50)
<i>Scincidae</i>		
<i>Lerista aericeps taeniata</i> Storr, 1986	11	R33362 (CAMR1043); R33364 (CAMR1314); R33366 (CAMR1565); R33368 (CAMR1567); R33462 (CAMR1574); R34508-11 (CAMR1569-72; R34512-13 (CAMR1575-76))

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<i>Menetia concinna</i> Sadlier, 1984	1	R2665
<i>Morethia storri</i> Greer, 1980	4	R2715; R2731-32; R2864
<i>Sphenomorphus isolepis douglasi</i> Storr, 1967a	1	(NTM1602) specimen discarded
<i>Varanus beritii</i> King and Horner, 1987	9	R3107; R6531; R8346-48; R8364; R8931; R13150-51
<i>Varanus kingorum</i> Storr, 1980	2	R6681; R6954
<i>Liasis siamensis orientalis</i> Smith, 1985	38	R434; R543; R711-13; R756; R2455; R3637; R3643; R3649; R3660; R3669; R3683; R3807; R5219; R5233; R5234; R5361; R5844-45; R8438-40; R8553; R31639 (CAMR145); R31644-45 (NTM1391-92); R31648 (NTM1395); R31649 (NTM1437); R31652 (NTM1647); R31684-85 (NTM2336-37); R31687-89 (NTM3214-16); R31690 (NTM3270); R31692 (NTM4032); R31693 (NTM5349)
<i>Python brealli</i> Gow, 1981	10	R328; R430; R709-10; R1974; R2995-96; R4635-37
<i>Denisonia ordensis</i> Storr, 1984	3	R0314; R32406-07 (CAMR561-62)
<i>Sinoseiurus morrisi</i> Horner, 1998	1	R17740
<i>Vermicella annulata smelli</i> Storr, 1967c	2	R34479 (NTM2577); R34485 (NTM76)
<i>Vermicella intermedia</i> Keogh and Smith, 1996	21	R221; R354; R1203; R1959; R2250; R3476; R5178; R16642; R16705; R16773; R17187; R17191-95; R17299-300; R20410; R34481 (NTM3529); R34486 (NTM1078)
<i>Vermicella semifasciata incincta</i> Storr, 1967	3	R34168-69 (NTM2262-63); R34170 (NTM63)
<i>Vermicella vermiformis</i> Keogh and Smith, 1996	7	R34476 (CAMR240); R34477 (CAMR448); R34478 (CAMR640); R34479 (NTM2577); R34480 (NTM3411); R34483 (NTM5896); R34485 (NTM76)
<i>Ramphotyphlops centralis</i> Storr, 1984	5	R34491 (NTM5888); R34492 (NTM5890); R34493 (NTM5895); R34494 (NTM5906); R34495 (CAMR138)
<i>Typhlopidae</i>	2	R16047; R34110 (NTM3236)
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<i>Hippopoterus dialema inornatus</i> McKean, 1970	6	U2376 (NTM4689); U2377-78 (NTM4693-94); U2380-81 (NTM4700-01); R2382 (NTM4721)
<i>Smilthopsis bindi</i> Van Dyke, Woinarski and Press	5	U0716; U0943; U0945-46; U0954
<i>Pseudomyshermanniana</i> Kitchener, 1985	9	U3487 (Camm797); U3488 (Camm847); U3489 (Camm849); U3490 (Camm853); U3491 (Camm1034); U3492-93 (Camm1036-37); U3494-95 (Camm1039-40)
<i>Muridae</i>	5	U0505-06; U4028 (Camm1008); U4032 (Camm248); U4036 (NTM4287)
<i>Zyzomys pallidus</i> Kitchener, 1989	1	U1148